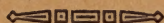


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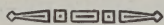
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## COUNTY OFFICERS

### Commissioners

George F. Leighton, Chairman	Farmington
Alfred J. Beaudoin	Rochester
Herbert J. McCabe	Dover

### Solicitor

John F. Beamis, Jr.	Somersworth
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### Sheriff

Stephen W. Scruton	Dover
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### Clerk of Superior Court

William H. Roberts	Dover
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### Judge of Probate Court

Leonard C. Hardwick	Rochester
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### Register of Probate

Ethel G. Waldron	Dover
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### Register of Deeds

Anna M. Morin	Somersworth
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### Treasurer

Charles W. Jackson	Salmon Falls
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### Medical Referee

Forrest L. Keay, M. D.	Rochester
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### Superintendent of County Home and Jailer

Sumner W. Watson	Rochester
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### Matron

Florence Watson	Rochester
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### Chaplains

E. Lincoln Bigelow	Farmington
Raymond Desjardins	Dover

### Physician

Joseph H. Richard, M. D.	Dover
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### Auditors

Gilman H. Twombly	Dover
Warren C. Parsons	Concord



## STRAFFORD COUNTY DELEGATION

Joshua Studley, Chairman		Rochester
Margaret E. Dustin, Clerk		Rochester
Harold E. Flower		Barrington
Henry J. Croft	Ward 1	Dover
Albert P. Sherry	1	Dover
Hubert C. Stanley	1	Dover
Albert Courchene	2	Dover
James M. Jackson	2	Dover
William N. Shaheen	2	Dover
H. Howard Hartford	3	Dover
Ray Kennard	3	Dover
Edwin L. Corson	4	Dover
George I. Leighton	4	Dover
Ernest L. Lucas	4	Dover
Edward L. Cassily	5	Dover
Oren V. Henderson		Durham
Carl C. Blanchard		Farmington
Ruby A. Chesley		Farmington
Frank E. Webster		Farmington
William H. Lee		Lee
Gilman H. Twombly		Madbury
Not entitled		Middleton
George W. Longley		Milton
William Smith		New Durham
Ernest L. Rolfe	Ward 1	Rochester
Margaret E. Dustin	2	Rochester
Miles H. Dustin	2	Rochester
Rudolph G. Cartier	3	Rochester
Aurette Beaudoin	4	Rochester

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George J. Potvin	4	Rochester
Herbert D. Corson	5	Rochester
Joshua Studley	5	Rochester
Llewellyn F. Fernald	6	Rochester
Walter J. Seavey	6	Rochester
Herbert F. Cole		Rollinsford
Oscar Lemay	Ward 1	Somersworth
Napoleon T. Habel	2	Somersworth
Fred J. Lauzon	3	Somersworth
Albert J. Nadeau	4	Somersworth
Romeo L. St. Laurent	4	Somersworth
Fred J. Coffin	5	Somersworth
Ellsworth H. Berry		Strafford

## COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

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To the Citizens of Strafford County:

In accordance with the Public Statutes of New Hampshire the Commissioners of Strafford County herewith submit the annual reports of the County Commissioners, County Treasurer, Clerk of Superior Court, Sheriff, Solicitor and the Superintendent of the County Home and House of Correction, Farm Physician, Farm Chaplains and Auditors for the year ending December 31, 1944. Once again your Commissioners are able to report a substantial balance on hand as of December 31, 1944. We aim to keep as near as possible within the appropriation assigned to each item in our budget but at times owing to conditions over which we have no control we are practically forced to do otherwise; "for example" what appeared like a minor plumbing repair job in the County Home and Jail early in 1944 resulted in a general overhauling of practically all the plumbing in both buildings. Owing to the high cost of labor and material we realize it was not an opportune time to do this work but we were satisfied that in order to run over fires this winter it had to be taken care of.

With reference to the report of the Federal Prison Bureau on County Jails in New Hampshire we admit that we are not proud of the fact that we are reported as having the lowest rating of any jail in the State, and while we feel that this report was somewhat exaggerated we would recommend that the County Delegation appropriate a sum of money to further improve the sanitary conditions which we believe would enable us to obtain a much higher rating.



After the resignation of Mr. and Mrs. Sumner W. Watson as Superintendent and Matron which became effective December 31, 1944 we felt fortunate in being able to replace them with Mr. and Mrs. John R. McCullough of Middleton.

We wish at this time to express our appreciation to the management and all others connected with the County Home for their conscientious and faithful services. Also Dr. J. H. Richard and his staff. We feel truly grateful to the churches and other organizations which have visited the County Home at Christmas and other times during the past year bringing cheer to so many.

We are ever mindful of our Chaplains who bring spiritual guidance to so many who by their infirmities are confined to their rooms. We wish to express our appreciation to the State Board of Public Welfare, Overseers of the Poor, all city and town officials and many others who have given us their cooperation and assistance in the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE F. LEIGHTON, Chair.,

ALFRED J. BEAUDOIN, Clerk,

HERBERT J. McCABE,

County Commissioners.

**DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING  
STATE TAX COMMISSION  
CONCORD, N. H.,**

June 30, 1944

Board of County Commissioners  
Strafford County  
Dover, New Hampshire  
Gentlemen:

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 82, Section 27, of the Revised Laws, the biennial audit and examination of the accounts of Strafford County has been made the Division of Municipal Accounting of the State Tax Commission. The audit covered the fiscal years ending December 31, 1942, December 31, 1943, and the period from January 1, 1944 to April 30, 1944. Submitted herewith is the report of this audit, including Exhibits and Schedules as hereafter listed.

**SCOPE OF AUDIT**

Included in the audit and examination were the accounts and records of the Board of County Commissioners, County Treasurer, Clerk of the Superior Court and Superintendent of the County Farm.

**FINANCES**

In order to present a comprehensive picture of the financial condition of the County during the last ten years and the changes which have taken place in this period, we have prepared certain statements from records on file.

## Comparative Balance Sheets,

1934 to 1943, inclusive: (Exhibit I)

It will be noted that during this period the Net Debt of the County increased from \$51,470.31 in 1934 to \$110,379.05 in 1936, and subsequently decreased to \$19,109.30 in 1941. In 1942 there was a decided change for the better and the year ended with a Surplus of \$54,832.85. In 1943 the Surplus was increased to \$58,874.90.

There were no temporary loans outstanding at the end of 1943, and the Bonded Debt had decreased from \$77,000.00 in 1934 to \$14,000.00 in 1943.

## County Tax Apportionment,

1935 to 1944, inclusive: (Exhibit IV)

County taxes increased from \$85,000.00 in 1935 to \$232,112.50 in 1939, which was the peak year. From 1939 to 1943 taxes decreased to \$163,123.59, increasing to \$165,143.58 in 1944.

It will be noted that a ten-year average shows \$182,712.81 divided as follows:

Cities:	%	%
Dover	38.2	
Rochester	26.9	
Somersworth	11.9	
		77.0
Towns		23.0
		100.0



## Changes in Net Debt or Surplus:

(Exhibit II)

Gains made in 1942 consisted of Revenue Surplus of \$10,894.29; Appropriations not used of \$41,788.23; Bonds reduced \$7,000.00; Changes in payables and receivables of \$14,259.63, or a total of \$73,942.15.

In 1943 the net budget surplus was \$33,635.10 and bonds were reduced \$7,000.00, making a total of \$40,635.16. However, this was reduced by using surplus cash of \$32,416.42 from the preceding year for the purpose of reducing the tax rate. Further reductions representing receivables and payables resulted in a net gain in Surplus of \$4,042.05 during the year.

Comparative Statement of Receipts and Expenditures,  
1934 to 1943, inclusive: (Exhibit V)

Summaries of receipts and expenditures, classified in accordance with the uniform classification of accounts, for the years 1934 to 1943, inclusive are presented herewith.

## Bonded Debt and Annual Maturities:

(Exhibit III)

The outstanding bonded debt of the County on December 31, 1943 was \$14,000.00 due as follows:

Date Due	Amount
August 1, 1944	\$7,000.00
August 1, 1945	7,000.00
Total	<u>\$14,000.00</u>

## Revenues, Appropriations and Expenditures:

(Schedules A, B, C and D)

Comparative Statements of Appropriations and Expenditures and Estimated and Actual Revenues, for

the calendar years 1942 and 1943, are included in these schedules.

In 1942 actual revenue exceeded the estimated revenue by \$10,894.29. This, together with a net unexpended balance of appropriations of \$41,788.23, resulted in a net budget surplus of \$52,682.52. It should be noted that the "Poor Off the Farm" appropriation showed an unexpended balance of \$45,457.21, while an overdraft of \$18,187.12, was incurred in the County Farm appropriation.

In 1943 there were unexpended balances of appropriations in the accounts of the Superior Court, Poor Off Farm and Board and Care of Children. The County Farm Account, however, was again overdrawn in the amount of \$14,911.56.

The 1943 Budget as set up did not include estimated revenue other than Cash Surplus. However, the following revenues were received and have been applied as cash credits in the appropriation statement:

Source of Revenue	Amount
County Farm	\$13,557.58
Superior Court, (Bail Refund, Etc.)	5,314.70
Direct Relief	4,312.16
Board and Care of Children	4,925.60
Salary Refund	273.00
Old Age Assistance	24.56
Insurance Refund	85.00
Premium Refund	5.00
Total	<hr/> \$28,497.60

It should be further noted that in arriving at the county tax requirements for 1943, one-half of the total cash balance of December 31, 1942, or (one-half of \$64,832.84) \$32,416.42, was used and a like amount set aside for the year 1944.

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#### ACCOUNTS OF COMMISSIONERS AND TREASURER

(Schedules E, F, G, H and I)

All orders issued by the Commissioners and Clerk of the Superior Court during the calendar years ended December 31, 1942 and 1943, and the period from January 1 to April 30, 1944, were examined and compared with corresponding entries in the Treasurer's records.

The classification of expenditures was noted. However, we were obliged to make some adjustments in classification where necessary. In this connection we advise that the Commissioners procure a rubber stamp for the purpose of recording and classifying invoices at the time of payment. The Commissioners' office force should have the following information in order to properly enter their transactions in the records:

- (1) Approval by Whom\_\_\_\_\_.
- (2) Extensions Verified\_\_\_\_\_.
- (3) Bid No.\_\_\_\_\_.
- (4) Distribution to Account\_\_\_\_\_.
- (5) Paid by Check No.\_\_\_\_\_.

Cash discounts on purchases have not been taken in many instances. These should be watched carefully. We found a few instances of payments made on statements only without the supporting data. In the case



of coal purchases, weight slips should be attached and filed with the vouchers.

Totals of receipts and expenditures, as indicated by the Treasurer's records were verified. The Treasurer's balances as of December 31, 1942, 1943 and April 29, 1944, were in agreement with the reconciled bank balances on each date as set forth in Schedules E and F.

#### ACCOUNTS OF CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

The accounts of the Clerk were examined in detail, and with the exception of a few minor clerical errors, were found to be in good order.

#### WELFARE EXPENDITURES

Details of welfare expenditures were examined for the greater part of the period of audit, and for the purpose of comparison, the following statistics are presented herewith:

	December 31st		
	1941	1942	1943
Poor Off Farm	\$64,960.34	\$39,542.79	\$26,006.82
Old Age Assistance	7,894.73	7,717.30	6,577.57
Board and Care of			
Children	30,233.52	29,847.62	25,085.07
Aid to Soldiers	3,124.31	913.05	452.76
Totals	\$106,212.90	\$78,020.76	\$58,122.22

It will be noted that welfare expenditures dropped sharply between 1941 and 1942 and also in 1943. Between 1941 and 1943, the decrease amounted to \$48,090.68, the greater reduction being in the "Poor Off Farm" Account.

Insofar as possible, signatures of relief recipients should be obtained for goods and materials received by them. We noted quite a few unsigned orders during the period under examination.

It is recommended that the Relief Investigator examine orders and vouchers after the transactions have been completed for the purpose of determining the manner in which relief clients are using the funds allotted to them.

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### COUNTY FARM ACCOUNTS

The record of fines and costs collected and subsequently paid to various Municipal Courts was examined

We noted that the triplicate receipt form recommended in our previous audit is now in use. This provides a way in which County Farm receipts may be checked by the source.

We call attention to our recommendation of the use of the "Rubber Stamp" as heretofore made. The present practice of the Superintendent is to merely approve the farm bills. In addition to this, he should indicate in the space (Distribution to Account) what the charge is for: namely, Feed, Supplies, Equipment, Repairs, Etc. Otherwise the office force is unable to make proper distribution of the item. The same recommendation applies to his cash payments for labor, etc.

Bills should be sent promptly to Office of the Commissioners for verification, and for possible cash discounts, otherwise the cash discounts are lost. Bills should be examined carefully to see if the prices conform to those contained in the original bids.

The Superintendent should maintain a record of gasoline actually used on the farm for tractors and other farm equipment not used on the highways, so that he may file with the State a claim for refund of the State tax of four cents per gallon of gasoline so used.

We also recommend the use of a petty cash fund

for miscellaneous small cash payments made by the Superintendent. The present practice is not in accordance with good accounting procedure. Payments made from the petty cash fund should plainly indicate what they are for, and should be accompanied by vouchers. This information when properly classified will enable the office force to charge the proper accounts.

### GENERAL COMMENTS

#### Balance Sheet

In the construction of the balance sheet of December 31, 1943, as included in Exhibit I, we have not included the Accounts Receivable, \$708.26, due the Farm, nor have we included Accounts Payable owed with the exception of those contracted and dated prior to December 1, 1943. Also, we have not included as accounts payable the unused balances of specific appropriations made for the purpose of purchasing new equipment such as Fire Hose, Pressure Cooker, and the construction of the Silo, Etc., but have treated these items as unexpended balances of appropriations.

However, in order to provide for the eventual purchase of equipment and for the completion of the improvements which were in progress at the close of the year, certain balance sheet revision becomes necessary.

The effect of the above stated items, if carried to the Balance Sheet, would be as follows:

#### Balance Sheet — December 31, 1943

(Revised)

Assets		
Cash		\$74,051.59
Accounts Receivable:		
Due Farm	\$708.26	
Other	52.00	
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Total Assets		\$74,811.85



Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	\$1,228.69
Appropriations Carried to 1944:	
For Equipment and Improvements:	
Fire Alarm Equipment	\$2,500.00
Sheep House Repairs	549.07
Hen House, Cement Floor	242.25
Silo	710.40
Pressure Cooker	500.00
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	\$4,501.72
Bonds Outstanding	14,000.00
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Total Liabilities	\$19,730.41
Surplus	55,081.44
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Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$74,811.85
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#### Competitive Bidding:

As stated in the report of our previous audit, all purchases of over \$50.00, should be subject to competitive bidding. While examining purchases, we noted that this was not being done in all cases. It is recommended that in all instances where bids cannot be obtained, the Commissioners' waive such bidding and attach the waivers to the invoices.

#### Excise Taxes:

We noted a number of instances where Federal Excise taxes have been paid upon purchases of equipment, supplies, etc. This should be watched carefully in the future. Refunds may be obtained for taxes already paid on such purchases upon application to the proper authorities and we have advised the Commissioners as to the necessary procedure.

### Paid Notes, Bonds and Coupons:

It is suggested that the destruction of cancelled notes, bonds and bond coupons by the County Commissioners and County Auditors be delayed until after the biennial audit is made by this Division, to permit an examination of these documents by our Auditors.

### Purchases Or Sales By Public Officials:

We noted during the course of our audit a few instances of private transactions of public officials, and in consequence we quote the following:

#### Chapter 43 (Revised Laws, 1942)

##### Private Transactions of Public Officials

- “(1.) Public Officials Barred from Certain Private Dealings. No person holding a public office, excepting only members of the general court, as such, for which remuneration in the form of wages, salary, or per diem is paid, in city, county, or state governmental service shall, by contract or otherwise, except by open competitive bidding, sell or buy goods, commodities, or other personal property of a value in excess of twenty-five dollars at any one sale to or from the city, county, or state by which said official is paid.
- “(2.) Penalty. Anyone violating the provisions of the foregoing section shall be fined not more than five thousand dollars, and upon conviction there shall automatically be a vacancy in the office held by the person convicted, which shall be filled as otherwise provided by law.”

##### General:

The accounts and records, as a whole, were found to be in good condition, and the accounting procedure, with certain exceptions as noted herein, conformed to the standard procedure prescribed by this Division.

Section 31 of Chapter 211, Laws of 1939, provides that: “Upon completion of each audit, as herein provided, a report thereof shall be made to the proper local

officials and a copy of such report or a summary of its essential features shall be published in the next annual report of the county, city, town, school district, village district or precinct concerned."

In accordance with provisions of this law, therefore, the text of this report should be printed in the next annual County report in its entirety. The publication of Exhibits and Schedules is optional.

We express our appreciation and thanks to all county officials and employees for their assistance during the course of our audit.

Yours very truly,

Harold G. Fowler, Director,  
Division of Municipal Accounting  
State Tax Commission.

Lawton B. Chandler,  
Frank W. Morrill,  
Auditors.

Harry G. Hager,  
Accountant.



**BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 1944**

## Purposes of Expenditures

## Current Maintenance Expenses:

## General Government:

## Salaries of:

(a) Commissioners	\$3,600.00
(b) Treasurer	400.00
(c) Auditors	50.00
(d) Solicitor	1,800.00
(e) Medical Referee	450.00
(f) Sheriff	1,000.00

## Expenses of:

(a) Above officers	4,400.00
(b) Register of Deeds	800.00
(c) Register of Probate	1,100.00

Care and supplies for Court House 2,700.00

Superior Court 15,000.00

## Public Welfare:

County Farm	50,000.00
Support of Poor Off Farm	55,000.00
Old Age Assistance	9,000.00
Board and Care of Children	28,000.00
Soldiers' Aid	3,000.00
Welfare and Administration Expenses	2,800.00

## Interest:

On Temporary Loans	600.00
On Long Term Notes	560.00
Court House Repairs	300.00
Long Term Notes	7,000.00

## All Other Payments:

Insurance Account (Miscellaneous)	1,800.00
Farm Bureau	5,400.00
Miscellaneous	300.00
Reindexing	2,500.00

Totals	\$194,060.00
Less half of surplus	32,416.42
Amount to be raised by taxation	\$165,143.58

## COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

	Estimated Appropriations	Actual Revenue	Amount	Actual Expenditures	Unexpended Balance	Overdraft
Salaries	\$ 7,300.00		\$ 7,300.00	\$ 7,328.17		\$ 28.17
Expenses	4,400.00		4,400.00	3,183.28	\$ 1,216.72	
Court House						
Expenses	2,700.00		2,700.00	2,530.21	169.79	
Superior Court						
Expenses	15,000.00	\$ 285.35	15,285.35	10,637.13	4,648.22	
County Home						
and Jail	50,000.00	17,714.32	67,714.32	92,139.35		24,425.03
Support of						
Poor Off						
Farm	55,000.00	622.04	55,622.04	18,967.63	36,654.41	
Board and Care						
of Children	28,000.00	8,164.51	36,164.51	23,715.18	12,449.33	
Soldiers' Aid	3,000.00		3,000.00	499.68	2,500.32	
Old Age						
Assistance	9,000.00		9,000.00	5,832.92	3,167.08	
Interest on						
Temporary						
Notes	600.00		600.00	356.58	243.42	
Interest on						
Bonded Debt	560.00		560.00	560.00		





## FINANCIAL REPORT

### ASSETS

Cash on hand	\$76,613.69
Total	\$76,613.69

### LIABILITIES

Bonds outstanding:		
Refinancing 4% bonds payable at		
the rate of \$7,000.00		
per year	\$7,000.00	
Accounts owed by County	4,888.31	
		\$11,888.31
Excess of assets over liabilities		
(Net Surplus)		64,725.38
		\$76,613.69

### RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:	
Taxes from towns and cities	\$165,143.58
Income of Institutions:	
County Home	17,714.32
Reimbursement of Expenditures	
for Support of Poor:	
Direct Relief	622.04
Board and care of children	8,164.51
Miscellaneous	88.94
Register Probate	741.00
Superior Court	285.35

## Receipts Other Than Current

## Revenue:

Temporary loans during year	120,000.00
Cash on hand January 1, 1944	74,051.59

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Total receipts from all sources	\$386,811.33
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## PAYMENTS

## General Government:

## Salaries of:

Commissioners	\$3,600.00
Treasurer	400.00
Auditors	50.00
Solicitor	1,800.00
Medical Referee	478.20
Sheriff	999.97

## Expenses of:

Above officers	3,183.28
Register of Deeds	967.53
Register of Probate	1,800.58
Care and Supplies for Court House	2,530.21
Repairs to Court House (Spec.)	1,605.78

## Superior Court:

Jury payrolls	1,452.73
"State vs." payrolls	73.46
Counsel Fees	135.00
Stenographer	1,389.37
Clerk of Superior Court	3,092.83
Sheriff and deputies	4,493.74

## Public Welfare:

County Home expenditures and Jail	92,139.35
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## Special Appropriation:

Re-Index Project	2,222.70
Welfare Administration Expenses	2,495.62

Support of Poor not at County Home	18,967.63
Old Age Assistance	5,832.92
Board and care of children	23,715.18
Aid to soldiers	499.68
Interest:	
Paid on temporary loans	356.58
Paid on bonded debt	560.00
Indebtedness:	
Payments on temporary loans	120,000.00
Payments of principal of bond	7,000.00
All Other Payments:	
Farm Bureau	5,400.00
Miscellaneous (Insurance)	2,955.30
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	\$310,197.64
Cash on hand December 31, 1944	76,613.69
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	\$386,811.33

#### I. County Officers' Expenses, 1944

Salaries of Bookkeeper-Stenographer	\$1,431.00
Edward Reilly, P. M., postage, envelopes	207.78
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., Dover office	140.80
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., Farmington	89.70
Office supplies	272.37
Traveling expenses to meetings and mileage expenses (Commissioners)	626.93
Maintenance of Rochester office, rent, electric light bill, telephone	164.00
Treasurer's expenses, mileage	27.30
Audit of books, State Auditors' expenses	223.40
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	\$3,183.28

## II. Register of Deeds

Office supplies	\$869.93	
Telephone	97.60	
		\$967.53
Appropriation:		
Re-Index	\$2,500.00	
Salaries	2,222.70	
Balance		\$277.30

## Note:

June 14, 1943 to December 30, 1944.

Grantor index 1931 to 1940 inclusive.

Books 443 to 501. Fifty books with an average of eleven hundred documents in each book, has been indexed and checked, and re-checked. Cards have been filed in alphabetical order. The letter A has been typed and checked, therefore is completed. I am of the opinion that the grantor index can be completed within the year of 1945.

Grantee index should be started immediately after the completion of the grantor index, therefore, I hope that the same amount of money is appropriated for the continuation of the Re-Index Project.

ANNA M. MORIN,

Registrar.

## III. Register of Probate

Office expenses:		
Salary of stenographer	\$1,198.59	
Telephone	90.85	
Supplies (forms, printing)	398.68	
Edward Reilly, P. M., postage	99.96	
Bond	12.50	
		\$1,800.58



## IV. Court House Expenses

Salary of janitor	\$1,580.50	
Supplies (drinking cups, (disinfectant)	172.61	
Labor, repair	6.94	
Window washing	58.00	
Coal	469.64	
Electric light	50.90	
Water	155.66	
Express charges	2.00	
		\$2,530.21
Repairs (work not finished in 1943)	\$1,605.78	

## V. Expenditures for Poor Off Farm

Ambulance service	\$ 8.00	
Board and care of adults	1,681.00	
Burial expenses	356.00	
Cash payments	817.00	
Clothing	455.63	
Electric light bills	41.12	
Fuel (oil, coal, wood)	2,175.06	
Groceries	5,173.23	
Medical:		
Hospitals	\$1,039.19	
Dentistry	1.50	
Doctors' fees	3,047.99	
For professional services:		
Glasses	58.00	
Medicine	380.08	
Nurses' fees	32.00	
X-rays	28.00	
		4,586.76
Moving furniture	52.96	
Rents	3,511.69	
Transportation to clinics	52.10	

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Stove parts and repairs	55.43
Household supplies	1.65
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	\$18,967.63

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## VI. Aid to Soldiers

Fuel	\$47.73
Groceries	362.46
Medicine	17.49
Rents	72.00
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	\$499.68

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## VII. Welfare Administration Expenses

Services of investigator	\$1,325.00
Mileage expenses	407.62
Services of stenographer	563.00
County Agent at Somersworth	200.00
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	\$2,495.62

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## VIII. Miscellaneous

Printing of County Reports	\$147.00
Expenses, meeting of State Association of County Commissioners	145.00
Insurance premiums (covering Court House and Farm buildings)	2,593.55
Hospital service (Court House employees)	69.75
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	\$2,955.30

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## Strafford County Extension Service

Salaries (Clerical and Agents)	\$812.13	\$498.41	\$496.00
Travel	473.12	179.39	325.20
Rail, livery, meals and			

lodging	72.55	51.75	61.50
Office supplies	121.32	115.11	96.04
Other supplies	9.67	31.50	80.53
Printing	1.40		39.75
Telephone & Telegraph	100.69	63.37	87.91
Postage	11.08	63.98	22.48
Freight & Express		.75	1.34
Rent, Light, Heat and Water	95.57	128.10	96.34
Miscellaneous:			
Furniture & Fixtures	27.10		62.97
Scientific Equipment	64.81	63.19	67.61
Labor	31.19	31.43	37.21
Library	4.33	3.59	14.83
Other	5.00	11.00	45.55
Total	\$1,829.96	\$1,241.57	\$1,535.26
Grand total:	\$4,606.79		

## COMPARATIVE DEBT STATEMENT

Liabilities		1943	1944
(a) Bonds outstanding		\$14,000.00	\$7,000.00
(b) Bills payable		224.49	4,888.31
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		\$14,224.49	\$11,888.31
Excess of assets over liabilities		59,879.10	64,725.38
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Balance		\$74,103.59	\$76,613.69
Assets			
Treasurer's balance		\$74,103.59	\$76,613.69
Increase in assets:	\$4,846.28		



## TREASURER'S REPORT

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1944

According with the Public Laws of New Hampshire, I hereby render a statement of receipts and expenditures of Strafford County for the year ending December 31, 1944.

### Expenditures

Salaries of County officers	\$6,849.97
Expenses of County officers	3,183.28
Register of Deeds	967.53
Register of Probate	1,800.58
Medical Referee	478.20
Superior Court expenses	10,637.13
Care and supplies of Court House	2,530.21
County Home expenses and Jail	92,139.35
Repairs to Court House	1,605.78
Old Age Assistance	5,832.92
Support of poor outside of Home	18,967.63
Board and care of children	23,715.18
Soldiers' Aid	499.68
Payment on bonds	7,000.00
Tax anticipation notes	120,000.00
Interest on temporary notes	356.58
Interest on bonded debts	560.00
Farm Bureau Extension	5,400.00
Miscellaneous	2,955.30
Cash balance December 31, 1944	76,613.69
Re-Index Project	2,222.70
Welfare Administration Expenses	2,495.62

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\$386,811.33

Receipts	
Cash on hand January 2, 1944	\$74,051.59
Taxes from towns and cities:	165,143.58
Barrington	\$2,622.79
Dover	61,520.47
Durham	8,650.60
Farmington	8,374.51
Lee	1,725.52
Madbury	1,518.46
Middleton	414.12
Milton	5,935.78
New Durham	1,449.43
Rochester	45,829.76
Rollinsford	4,785.44
Somersworth	19,716.92
Strafford	2,599.78
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County Farm receipts	17,714.32
Refund on direct relief	622.04
Refunds (miscellaneous)	88.94
Board and care of children	8,164.51
Temporary loans issued during year	120,000.00
Superior Court	285.35
Register Probate	741.00
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\$386,811.33	

The accounts of Strafford County at 1944 year's end again show a surplus. The cash balance on December 31, 1944 was \$76,613.69 against which there is still outstanding only \$7,000.00 in bonded indebtedness due August 1, 1945 and accounts payable of \$4,888.31, leaving a surplus of \$64,725.38.

The net unencumbered balance at the end of 1944 amounted to \$71,730.78, due mainly to the continued de-

creased costs for relief and the care and board of children.

War conditions make it impossible at this time to undertake any sizable program of alterations or construction. However, I feel that we should start right now to make the necessary plans to provide for the various Capital Improvements that are urgently needed by Strafford County. Certain of the departments in the Court House require additional vault and office space. A new kitchen is a necessity at the County Farm. Some repairs are necessary to the Farm Buildings and Jail. Both the Court House and the County Farm Buildings are old, and serious thought should be given at this time to making plans for replacements.

One of the first steps in any long range program is the making of the financial plans and I feel that this would be an opportune time to set aside this surplus as a capital reserve to be used in making some of the necessary replacements.

I want to again take this opportunity to acknowledge with thanks the cooperation of county, town and city officials during the past year. I wish to thank Miss Therese Carrier for her helpful assistance in carrying on the duties of this office.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES W. JACKSON,

Treasurer.

## AUDITORS' REPORT

We, the undersigned Commissioners and Auditors of the County of Strafford, do hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing account and found the same properly cast and vouched with a cash balance of \$116,286.72 in the hands of the Treasurer.

On file are coupons due February first, 1944, amounting to \$280.00.

GEORGE F. LEIGHTON,  
ALFRED J. BEAUDOIN,  
HERBERT J. McCABE,

County Commissioners.

GILMAN H. TWOMBLY,  
WARREN C. PARSONS,

County Auditors.

Dated: July 13, 1944.

We, the undersigned, Commissioners and Auditors of the County of Strafford, do hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts of said County and find said accounts are correctly cast and properly vouched, and the balance as per Cash Book on January 2, 1945 to be:

Bank balance	\$49,685.50
Outstanding warrants	3,071.81
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	\$46,613.69
Salmon Falls Bank	30,000.00
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Balance	\$76,613.69



The following paid note is on file:

Amount	Date	When paid	Where Payable
\$120,000.00	3-15-44	12-15-44	Strafford Nat'l. Bank

Also seven \$1,000.00 bonds due August 1, 1944, and coupons amounting to \$280.00.

Total bonds outstanding against the County amounting to \$7,000.00.

Bills owed by County, \$4,888.31.

All taxes due from cities and towns payable in 1944 have been paid.

GEORGE F. LEIGHTON,  
ALFRED J. BEAUDOIN,  
HERBERT J. McCABE,

County Commissioners.

GILMAN H. TWOMBLY,  
WARREN C. PARSONS,

County Auditors.

Dated: January 16, 1945.

**REPORT OF CLERK**

January 5, 1945

To the Commissioners of Strafford County:

I hereby render to you an account of my disbursements and receipts as Clerk of the Superior Court for Strafford County, for the year of 1944:

**FEBRUARY TERM, 1944****Expenditures**

George J. Foster & Co., printing dockets	\$78.00
Neal Printing & Binding Co., binding dockets	28.60
Fred L. Tower, N. H. Register	5.00
Fred L. Tower, N. H. Register, for sheriff	5.00
Office supplies	16.53
Charles F. Whitehouse, printing	34.50
Postage	13.80
Divorce returns to State Registrar	2.70
Mittimi and capii	4.00
Nine entries in State cases	2.70
Attendance at Court November 2, 1943	5.00
Attendance at Court, 51 days	255.00
Salary, 6 months	1,250.00
10% increase for duration as per order of Superior Court for 5 months; November, December, January, February and March	104.12
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	\$1,804.95

## Receipts

34 civil entries @ 90c	\$30.60
55 equity entries @ 90c	49.50
18 dockets sold	36.00
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	\$116.10

Received costs: State v. Richard Libby	\$50.00
Received costs: State v. Shols	10.00
Received costs: State v. Rowe	15.00
Received costs and fine: State v. Nannis	82.50
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	\$157.50

Amount due Clerk	\$1,804.95
Amount due County	273.60

Balance due Clerk	\$1,531.35
March 29, 1944.	

Approved for \$1,531.35, and the Clerk will draw an order on the County Treasurer for said amount.

ALOYSUIS J. CONNOR,

Presiding Justice.

## SEPTEMBER TERM, 1944

## Expenditures

George J. Foster & Co., printing dockets	\$78.00
Neal Printing & Binding Co., binding dockets	28.60
Charles F. Whitehouse, printing	46.25
Lee Lox carbon paper	36.00
1000 stamped envelopes	33.30
Phaneuf Press, folders for docket	7.40
Postage	12.98
Office supplies	5.65
8 Mittimi issued	8.00
Attendance at Concord, June 19	5.00
Attendance at court at Portsmouth	5.00
Divorce returns to State Registrar	5.00
Entry fees, 12 State cases	3.60

E. H. Quimby, rent of typewriter for Court stenographer	3.00
Salary, 6 months	1,250.00
10% increase for duration of war as per order of Court; May, June, July, August and September	125.00
Attendance at Court; 39 days	195.00
	<hr/> \$1,847.78

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Receipts

62 civil entries @ 90c	\$55.80
79 equity entries @ 90c	71.10
18 dockets sold	36.00
Entry 2 State appeals	1.80
	<hr/> \$164.70
Received costs: Carroll v. Carroll	\$10.70
Received costs: State v. Dufault	25.40
Received costs: State v. Rand	25.00
Received costs and fine: State v. Wiggin	110.86
Received costs: State v. Potvin	25.00
Received costs and fine: State v. Swift & Co.	30.62
Received costs and fine: State v. Wilson Co.	30.62
	<hr/> \$258.20
Amount due Clerk	\$1,847.78
Amount due County	422.90
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Balance due Clerk \$1,424.88

Approved for \$1,424.88, and the Clerk will draw  
an order on County Treasurer for said amount.

THORNTON LORIMER,

Presiding Justice.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. ROBERTS,

Clerk of Court.



## REPORT OF SOLICITOR

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To the Commissioners of Strafford County:  
Gentlemen:

I herewith submit to you my report covering the period from January 1, 1944, to December 31, 1944.

Cases handled in Superior Court:

February Term, 1944

### A. INDICTMENTS

State vs. Harry Crannan. Indicted February Term, 1944, for breaking, entering and larceny. Plea guilty. Sentenced to 5 months in House of Correction. Committed.

State vs. Herbert Rowe. Indicted February Term, 1944, for larceny. Plea guilty. Continued for sentence. Restitution \$26.00 ordered and costs assessed at \$15.00. Placed on probation for 2 years.

State vs. John J. Bennett. Indicted February Term, 1944, for larceny. Plea guilty. Continued for sentence. Probation 2 years.

State vs. Fred C. Pinkham. Indicted February Term, 1944, for larceny. Plea guilty, continued for sentence. Probation 2 years.

State vs. Harold F. Parker. Indicted February Term, 1944, for larceny. Plea guilty. Continued for sentence. Probation 2 years.

State vs. Arthur J. Bertrand. Indicted February Term, 1944, for breaking and entering with intent to steal. Plea of guilty. Sentenced to 5 months in House of Correction. Committed.

State vs. John A. Williams. Indicted February Term, 1942. Blue Sky Violation. Plea nolo. Sentenced to not less than one year and one day, not more than 2 years in State Prison. Committed.

#### B. APPEALS

State vs. Moses L. Nannis. Appealed from Rochester Municipal Court on charge of violation of drug law. Plea nolo. Fined \$50.00 and costs of \$32.50.

State vs. Oscar Gosselin. Appealed from Rochester Municipal Court on charge of driving under influence of liquor. Trial by jury. Verdict: Not guilty.

State vs. Philip Beaudet. Appealed from Dover Municipal Court on charge of reckless driving. Nol pros. Respondent in service.

#### SEPTEMBER TERM, 1944

##### A. INDICTMENTS

State vs. Robert Joseph Doyon. Indicted September Term, 1944, for breaking, entering and larceny. Plea guilty. Continued for sentence. Placed on probation.

State vs. Leo Potvin. Indicted September Term, 1944, for breaking, entering and larceny (2 indictments). Plea of guilty on both. Continued for sentence. Costs \$25.00. Probation 3 years. Restitution.

State vs. Nathan Rand. Indicted September Term, 1944, for breaking, entering and larceny (2 indictments). Plea of guilty to both. Continued for sentence. Costs \$25.00. Probation 2 years. Restitution.

State vs. William Constantopoulos. Indicted September Term, 1944, for rape. Nol pros.

State vs. William Constantopoulos. Indicted September Term, 1944, for adultery. Plea guilty. Continued for sentence. Costs \$25.00. Probation 3 years.

State vs. Lucien Larrivee alias Lucien C. Lariviere. Indicted September Term, 1944, for larceny. Plea guilty. Continued for sentence. Probation. Restitution.

State vs. Hollis E. Spear alias John N. Meader. Indicted September Term, 1944, for breaking and entering with intent to steal. Plea guilty. Sentenced to not less than three years not more than five years in State Prison. Committed.

State vs. Hollis E. Spear alias John N. Meader. Indicted September Term, 1944, for breaking and entering and larceny. Plea guilty. Continued for sentence.

#### B. APPEAL CASES

State vs. George E. Purcell. Appeal from Dover Municipal Court for violation of unemployment compensation law. Trial by Court. Verdict: Guilty. Fine \$100 and costs.

State vs. Emile Nadeau. Appeal from Somersworth Municipal Court on drunkenness charge. Nol pros.

State vs. Louis A. Wiggin. Appeal from Dover Municipal Court. Charge: Showing obscene pictures. Plea guilty. Fine of \$100. Costs \$10.86. Six months in House of Correction suspended.

State vs. Swift & Co. Appeal from Dover Municipal Court, selling eggs as fresh that were not. Plea nolo. Fine \$25.00. Costs \$5.62.

State vs. J. M. Wilson Co. Appeal from Dover Municipal Court on charge of selling eggs as fresh that were not. Plea nolo. Fine \$25.00. Costs \$5.62.

The above cases represent those finally disposed of in the Superior Court. As usual numerous cases were prosecuted in the various Municipal Courts of the County throughout the year.

The number of types of cases handled did not vary very much from those handled in 1942 and 1943. This would indicate a continued absence of and decrease of serious crime. The work done by the various law enforcement agencies in the County is deserving of the highest praise in view of the handicaps under which each of them operates. About every police department in the County is short handed and lacking equipment. Yet, the work has been carried on with good results.

I am deeply grateful for the cooperation received from all of the law enforcement agencies of the State, County, Cities and Towns. The war has created some new problems but it is felt that they have been met as well as possible under existing conditions. There is no doubt but that more will arise and that the end of the war will bring further problems. In some respects the facilities available to meet the problems could hardly be called adequate. The publicity that was recently given to the condition of the County Jail should serve as a notice to the people of this County that there are many changes needed in most of our County property and that they cannot continue to be ignored. Many of these conditions are by no means new or of recent happening. It is unfortunate that those responsible for the survey and the publicity could not have more fully, fairly, and effectually presented the matter and also have included some constructive suggestions. All of us charged with the conduct of any part of our County

Government should be aware of our duty to make known to the taxpayers such needs that must be met. Any attempt at postponement may prove to be more costly when matters have to be faced and not ignored for reasons of economy or the like. The entire matter should be opened and immediate action should be taken to plan to meet our obvious needs.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN F. BEAMIS, JR.,

County Solicitor.

January 26, 1945.



## REPORT OF SHERIFF

### SEPTEMBER TERM, 1944

County of Strafford.

To STEPHEN W. SCRUTON, Sheriff—Dr.

To paid Rev. Ralph S. Huffer, Chaplain \$5.00      \$5.00

STEPHEN W. SCRUTON, Sheriff

39 days attendance at Court

@ \$5.00      195.00

2 miles travel @ 10c      .20

\$195.20

FRANK D. CALLAGHAN, Deputy Sheriff

20 days attendance at Court

@ \$5.00      \$100.00

20 days travel @ \$2.00      40.00

17 dinners @ 75c      12.75

Notifying Jurors—travel, 6 miles

@ 10c      .60

Transporting prisoner from Jail      2.40

\$155.75

MICHAEL O'MALLEY, Deputy Sheriff

6 days attendance at Court

@ \$5.00      \$30.00

6 days travel @ \$1.00      6.00

5 dinners @ 75c      3.75

Notifying Jurors—

Sept. 17, \$5.00, travel \$1.00      6.00

Oct. 1, \$5.00, travel \$1.00      6.00

\$51.75

**JOHN LEPENE, Deputy Sheriff**

3 days attendance at Court

@ \$5.00 \$15.00

3 days travel @ \$3.60 10.80

2 dinners @ 75c 1.50

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\$27.30**SUMNER D. WATSON, Deputy Sheriff**

2 days attendance at Court

@ \$5.00 \$10.00

1 dinner @ 75c .75

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\$10.75**Transporting prisoners**

4 from Jail to Court @ \$2.00 \$8.00

1 from Court to Jail @ \$2.00 2.00

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\$10.00**Stenographer**

\$5.00

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\$460.75

October 20th, 1944.

Approved for \$460.75.

**THORNTON LORIMER,**

Presiding Justice

Received payment October 24th, 1944.

**STEPHEN W. SCRUTON,**

Sheriff

A true copy: Attest:

**STEPHEN W. SCRUTON,**

Sheriff

## FEBRUARY TERM, 1944

County of Strafford.

To STEPHEN W. SCRUTON, Sheriff, Dr.

To paid Rev. George Kilcoyne	\$5.00	\$5.00
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STEPHEN W. SCRUTON, Sheriff

51 days attendance at Court

@ \$5.00	\$255.00
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2 miles travel @ 10c	.20
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\$255.20

FRANK D. CALLAGHAN, Deputy Sheriff

13 days attendance at Court

@ \$5.00	\$65.00
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13 days travel @ \$2.00	26.00
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10 dinners @ 75c	7.50
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Notifying Jurors not to report—

February 17, 22 and

March 7	19.50
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Travel, 45 miles	4.50
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\$122.50

MICHAEL O'MALLEY, Deputy Sheriff

10 days attendance at Court

@ \$5.00	\$50.00
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10 days travel @ \$1.00	10.00
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7 dinners @ 75c	5.25
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Notifying Jurors during term of Court	5.00
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\$70.25

JOHN LEPENE, Deputy Sheriff

3 days attendance at Court

@ \$5.00	\$15.00
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3 days travel @ \$3.60	10.80
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1 dinner @ 75c	.75
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\$26.55

SUMNER D. WATSON, Deputy Sheriff

2 days attendance at Court

@ \$5.00	\$10.00
1 dinner @ 75c	.75

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\$10.75

Transporting prisoners

4 from Jail to Court @ \$2.00	\$8.00
3 from Court to Jail @ \$2.00	6.00

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\$14.00

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Hotel Leighton, meals for July \$22.60 \$22.60

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Stenographer \$5.00

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\$531.85

March 29th, 1944.

Approved for: \$531.85.

ALOYSIUS J. CONNOR,

Presiding Justice.

Received payment April 1, 1944.

STEPHEN W. SCRUTON,

Sheriff.

A true copy: Attest:

STEPHEN W. SCRUTON,

Sheriff

## REPORT OF THE CURATE

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January 24, 1945.

To the commissioners of Strafford County:

Looking over my notes, I see that I visited the County Farm over fifty times during the last year, that is, an average of once a week. It goes to say that the inmates have been able to fulfill their religious duties in a satisfactory manner.

I am on call twenty-four hours a day; and when the need arises, the supervisors know that I am available. Now that the County Commissioners have provided the necessary equipment, the inmates receive the spiritual helps of the church more often. Mass is offered once a month; the Sacraments are regularly ministered to them.

I deeply enjoy my visits at the County Farm. The supervisors were kind and cooperative. The inmates always welcomed me with open arms; happy, no doubt, to find somebody who gave a patient ear to their intimate and personal problems, proffered a kind word and Christlike encouragement.

And now a word of thanks to the County Commissioners who have made my work so easy. With their benevolent encouragement, I shall fulfill these same duties for '45.

REV. RAYMOND DESJARDINS.

Curate at St. Charles' in Dover.



## REPORT OF THE CHAPLAIN

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January 11, 1945.

To the Commissioners of Strafford County:

Dear Sirs:

My report as chaplain is confined to four months, having become chaplain of the Home and of the House of Correction in September 1944.

It has been a real pleasure to minister unto both the aged in the Home, and to the men in the House of Correction. There have been expressions of appreciation for the spiritual service rendered, for which we thank God.

Our visits to the sick and helpless have brought cheer and comfort, to not a few, we believe. Several adults and young people, from Farmington, have added much to this ministry in song and instrumental music.

Mrs. Aubert, who has been my constant companion and fellow-helper in this work, and I, wish to state that our spiritual ministry has been made easy through the help and cooperation of your superintendent and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Sumner Watson.

We trust, our ministry has been mutually blest.

Respectfully submitted,

A. AUBERT,

Chaplain

## REPORT OF COUNTY PHYSICIAN

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To the Commissioners of Strafford County.  
Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as County Home Physician for the year 1944.

Notwithstanding the shortage of help, the inmates of the Strafford County Home and prisoners were well cared for, during the year 1944, by the officers and nurses who deserve my most sincere thanks for their generous cooperation.

The inmates, on the whole, enjoyed the normal health of aged people who, for the largest part, are admitted when in need of more and better care than can be given in private families of moderate means or when discharged from hospitals as incurable patients.

We committed five patients to New Hampshire State Hospital. We had nineteen deaths; three from cancer; one from gangrene; one from osteomyelitis; one from diabetes; three from heart diseases and ten from cerebral hemorrhages.

Average age at death: 75 years.

Number of regular visits to the County Home: Fifty-two.

Number of extra emergency visits to Home: Twenty.

Number of regular visits to the County Jail: Fifty-two.

Number of extra emergency visits to Jail: Four.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. RICHARD, M. D.

**STRAFFORD COUNTY FARM  
SUMMARIZED STATEMENT OF  
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS**

January 1 to December 31, 1944

Receipts:

Board	\$12,553.82	
Clothing and Supplies	27.18	
Farm Produce	26.50	
Poultry and Swine	299.90	
Neat Stock	4,730.14	
Miscellaneous	76.78	
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• Total Receipts		\$17,714.32

Payments:

Jail and House of Correction:

Labor	\$900.00	
Expense	120.00	
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		\$1,020.00

Farming:

Seed and Fertilizer	\$143.79	
Labor	1,750.50	
Supplies	882.37	
Expense	328.36	
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		\$3,105.02

## Dairy:

Feed	\$25,449.61
Labor	1,279.50
Supplies	58.91
Expense	72.25

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\$26,860.27

## Operation and Maintenance

## of Plant:

Labor	\$11,020.33
Provisions	15,827.31
Clothing	1,347.54
Supplies	3,048.19
Health	1,341.13
Repairs	2,924.64
Fuel, Light and Power	13,779.75
Office Expense	363.74
Auto and Truck Expense	1,366.23
Taxes	967.58

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\$51,986.44

## Miscellaneous:

Burials	\$310.00
Religious Activities	142.35

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\$452.35

## Reconstruction and

## Equipment:

Equipment	\$390.00
Reconstruction—Roof	1,571.84
Plumbing	6,753.43

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\$8,715.27

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Total Payments

\$92,139.35

**STRAFFORD COUNTY  
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS  
COUNTY FARM**

January 1 to December 31, 1944

By Months

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**JANUARY**

Receipts:

Board	\$1,388.50
Farm Produce	18.00
Miscellaneous	1.70

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Total	\$1,408.20
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**FEBRUARY**

Receipts:

Board	\$319.86
Miscellaneous	4.44

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Total	\$324.30
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**MARCH**

Receipts:

Board	\$1,598.89
Clothing and Supplies	1.75
Poultry and Swine	15.00
Neat Stock	1.00
Miscellaneous	1.18

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Total	\$1,617.82
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APRIL

## Receipts:

Board	\$837.84
Clothing and Supplies	.50
Poultry and Swine	55.00
Neat Stock	545.00
Miscellaneous	21.60

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Total	\$1,459.94
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## MAY

## Receipts:

Board	\$1,753.94
Clothing and Supplies	.80
Poultry and Swine	31.00
Neat Stock	1,252.00
Miscellaneous	1.10

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Total	\$3,038.84
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## JUNE

## Receipts:

Board	\$1,548.08
Clothing and Supplies	1.75
Poultry and Swine	67.00
Neat Stock	2,516.14
Miscellaneous	14.80

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Total	\$4,147.77
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## JULY

## Receipts:

Board	\$918.53
Poultry and Swine	29.00
Miscellaneous	2.12

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Total	\$949.65
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## AUGUST

## Receipts:

Board	\$417.84
Poultry and Swine	12.00
Miscellaneous	.40

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Total	\$430.24
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SEPTEMBER

## Receipts:

Board	\$852.40
Miscellaneous	1.04

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Total	\$853.44
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OCTOBER

## Receipts:

Board	\$1,046.20
Clothing and Supplies	5.48
Poultry and Swine	8.00
Neat Stock	25.00
Miscellaneous	.58

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Total	\$1,085.26
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NOVEMBER

## Receipts:

Board	\$445.42
Farm Produce	7.00
Poultry and Swine	27.00
Miscellaneous	2.35

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Total	\$481.77
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DECEMBER

## Receipts:

Board	\$1,426.32
Clothing and Supplies	16.90
Farm Produce	1.50
Poultry and Swine	55.90
Neat Stock	391.00
Miscellaneous	25.47
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Total	\$1,917.09
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Grand Total	\$17,714.32

**STRAFFORD COUNTY  
STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS  
COUNTY FARM**

January 1 to December 31, 1944

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By Months  
JANUARY

Payments:

Jail:

Labor	\$65.00
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Dairy:

Feed	1,813.56
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Labor	100.00
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Operation and Maintenance  
of Plant:

Labor	1,001.67
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Provisions	962.68
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Clothing	72.10
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Supplies	201.70
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Health	64.22
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Repairs	171.35
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Fuel, Light and Power	1,284.87
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Other Expense:

Office Expenses and Supplies	90.34
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Automobile and Truck Expense	118.53
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Total for January

\$5,946.02

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FEBRUARY

## Payments:

## Jail:

Labor	\$65.00
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## Farming:

Labor	117.00
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Other Expenses	46.50
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## Dairy:

Feed	4,636.30
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Labor	85.00
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Other Expenses	5.00
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## Operation and Maintenance

## of Plant:

Labor	827.66
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Provisions	1,829.76
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Clothing	6.00
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Supplies	234.02
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Health	180.16
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Repairs	167.91
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Fuel, Light and Power	131.32
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## Other Expense:

Office Expenses and Supplies	20.80
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Automobile and Truck Expense	84.05
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Burials	85.00
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Total for February

\$8,521.48

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MARCH

## Payments:

## Jail:

Labor	\$65.00
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## Farming:

Labor	88.50
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## Dairy:

Feed	2,740.35
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Labor	120.00
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Operation and Maintenance  
of Plant:

Labor	768.67	
Provisions	1,334.46	
Clothing	120.08	
Supplies	12.11	
Health	119.22	
Repairs	181.40	
Fuel, Light and Power	1,178.06	
Other Expense:		
Office Expenses and Supplies	29.10	
Automobile and Truck Expense	199.89	
Equipment	390.00	
Total for March		\$7,346.84

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APRIL

Payments:

Jail:	
Labor	\$65.00
Farming:	
Labor	43.00
Dairy:	
Feed	1,865.04
Labor	150.00

Operation and Maintenance  
of Plant:

Labor	947.17	
Provisions	1,680.04	
Clothing	40.05	
Supplies	131.82	
Health	132.70	
Repairs	286.01	
Fuel, Light and Power	3,056.69	
Other Expense:		
Office Expenses and Supplies	18.85	
Automobile and Truck Expense	243.05	
Total for April		\$8,659.42

## MAY

## Payments:

## Jail:

Labor	\$80.00
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## Farming:

Labor	97.50
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Other Expenses	34.00
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## Dairy:

Feed	4,611.13
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Labor	105.00
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Other Expenses	15.00
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## Operation and Maintenance

## of Plant:

Labor	997.17
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Provisions	1,270.65
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Clothing	153.90
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Supplies	192.48
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Health	185.60
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Repairs	46.08
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Fuel, Light and Power	144.51
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## Other Expense:

Office Expenses and Supplies	45.53
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Automobile and Truck Expense	122.68
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Burials	75.00
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Labor - Misc.	67.00
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Supplies - Petty Cash	15.15
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Religious Activities	62.88
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Total for May
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\$8,321.26
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## JUNE

## Payments:

## Jail:

Labor	\$80.00
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## Farming:

Seed and Fertilizer	65.31
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Labor	252.00
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Other Expenses	15.00	
Dairy:		
Feed	566.82	
Labor	140.00	
Other Expenses	8.00	
Operation and Maintenance of Plant:		
Labor	1,022.17	
Provisions	1,009.18	
Clothing	26.00	
Supplies	299.55	
Health	110.40	
Repairs	147.29	
Fuel, Light and Power	231.14	
Other Expense:		
Office Expenses and Supplies	19.65	
Automobile and Truck Expense	79.44	
Supplies - Petty Cash	144.95	
Reconstruction and Plumbing	3,106.14	
Total for June		\$7,323.04

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## JULY

Payments:		
Jail:		
Labor	\$80.00	
Farming:		
Seed and Fertilizer	67.55	
Labor	215.00	
Dairy:		
Feed	1,758.22	
Labor	127.50	
Operation and Maintenance of Plant:		
Labor	784.17	
Provisions	1,512.64	
Clothing	144.82	

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Supplies	539.18
Health	134.54
Repairs	139.32
Fuel, Light and Power	5,864.98
Other Expense:	
Office Expenses and Supplies	24.18
Automobile and Truck Expense	4.78
Burials	75.00
Supplies - Petty Cash	144.05
Reconstruction and Plumbing	2,460.06
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Total for July	\$14,075.99

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## AUGUST

## Payments:

## Jail:

Labor	\$80.00
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## Farming:

Seed and Fertilizer	10.93
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Labor	317.50
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Supplies	256.00
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Other Expenses	62.86
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## Dairy:

Feed	3,986.00
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Labor	50.00
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Supplies	31.56
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Operation and Maintenance  
of Plant:

Labor	664.17
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Provisions	1,464.52
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Clothing	316.80
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Supplies	176.24
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Health	75.33
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Repairs	284.08
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Fuel, Light and Power	279.37
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## Other Expense:

Office Expenses and Supplies	21.15
Supplies - Petty Cash	21.46
Religious Activities	31.25

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Total for August	\$8,129.22
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## SEPTEMBER

## Payments:

## Jail:

Labor	\$80.00
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## Farming:

Labor	250.00
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Supplies	75.95
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## Dairy:

Labor	130.00
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Supplies	27.35
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## Operation and Maintenance

## of Plant:

Labor	640.67
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Provisions	1,089.18
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Clothing	80.95
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Supplies	304.78
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Health	97.35
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Repairs	674.64
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Fuel, Light and Power	628.52
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## Other Expense:

Office Expenses and Supplies	17.35
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Automobile and Truck Expense	164.35
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Supplies - Petty Cash	3.88
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Taxes	967.58
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Religious Activities	37.88
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Total for September	\$5,270.43
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OCTOBER

## Payments:

## Jail:

Labor	\$80.00
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## Farming:

Labor	240.00
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Other Expenses	170.00
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## Dairy:

Feed	851.61
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Labor	40.00
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Other Expenses	44.25
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## Operation and Maintenance

## of Plant:

Labor	899.17
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Provisions	1,008.59
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Clothing	87.65
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Supplies	190.48
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Health	77.07
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Repairs	289.18
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Fuel, Light and Power	643.89
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## Other Expense:

Office Expenses and Supplies	23.70
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Automobile and Truck Expense	127.26
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Burials	75.00
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Supplies - Petty Cash	34.50
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Total for October

\$4,882.35

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NOVEMBER

## Payments:

## Jail:

Labor	\$80.00
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Other Expenses	120.00
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## Farming:

Labor	50.00
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Supplies	550.42
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Dairy:	
Feed	1,449.68
Labor	102.00
Operation and Maintenance	
of Plant:	
Labor	1,116.97
Provisions	1,907.46
Clothing	160.77
Supplies	117.73
Health	101.20
Repairs	318.78
Fuel, Light and Power	144.00
Other Expense:	
Office Expenses and Supplies	20.40
Automobile and Truck Expense	7.79
Labor - Misc.	65.00
Supplies - Petty Cash	190.10
Reconstruction and Plumbing	2,759.07
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Total for November	\$9,261.37

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## DECEMBER

Payments:	
Jail:	
Labor	\$80.00
Farming:	
Labor	80.00
Dairy:	
Feed	1,170.90
Labor	130.00
Operation and Maintenance	
of Plant:	
Labor	1,138.67
Provisions	758.15
Clothing	138.42

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Supplies	81.46
Health	63.34
Repairs	218.60
Fuel, Light and Power	192.40
Other Expense:	
Office Expenses and Supplies	28.30
Automobile and Truck Expense	214.41
Labor - Misc.	80.00
Supplies - Petty Cash	16.94
Religious Activities	10.34

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Total for December	\$4,401.93
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Grand Total	\$92,139.35
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## INVENTORY OF FARM

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1. Superintendent's Department:	
Office	\$250.00
Parlor	150.00
Kitchen	1,200.00
Dining room	200.00
Sleeping rooms	700.00
2. Inmates' Department—Men's Wing:	
Dining room	200.00
Reading room	10.00
Barber shop	40.00
Sleeping rooms (31)	620.00
Second hand clothing	100.00
Dispensary	600.00
Store room	600.00
Attic contents	150.00
3. Inmates' Department—Women's Wing:	
Dining room	150.00
Chapel	150.00
Store room	950.75
Sewing room	541.40
Sleeping rooms	400.00
Detention room	50.00
Second hand clothing	35.00
4. Basement:	
Meat room and refrigerator	3,100.00
Vinegar room	15.00
Big storeroom	300.00
Inmates' kitchen	2,100.00
Superintendent's room	625.00
Flour room	40.00
Coke and wood	15.00

	Butter room	40.00
	Canning room	300.00
	Soap room	300.00
5.	Cold storage	700.00
	Boiler room and contents	3,000.00
	Blacksmith shop	300.00
	Oil room	500.00
	Coal	1,000.00
	Bedding	100.00
	Fire extinguishers	275.00
	Hose house and contents	200.00
	Pumps and motors	1,800.00
	Engine room	1,000.00
	International truck	400.00
	Dodge car	1,000.00
	Dodge truck	400.00
	Farm machinery	2,500.00
	Storm windows and screens	300.00
	Lumber	100.00
	Shingles	250.00
	Jail contents	400.00
	Contents of laundry	2,500.00
6.	250 hens	375.00
	133 swine	2,660.00
	40 cows	7,000.00
	31 heifers	2,000.00
	8 bulls (6 mos. to 1½ yrs.)	320.00
	2 large bulls	220.00
	1 bull purebred Devons	200.00
	24 steers	2,000.00
	4 horses	700.00
7.	Ensilage	500.00
	Hay	2,000.00
	Manure	500.00
	Fertilizer	500.00
	6 tons dairy feed	250.00
	6 tons grains	250.00
	Grain	500.00

## PRISONERS

Prisoners at Strafford County House of		
Correction January 1, 1944:		
Men	19	
Women	2	
		21
Admitted during year:		
Men	107	
Women	7	
		114
Discharged during year:		
Men	105	
Women	6	
		111
Absconded:		
Men	2	
Women	0	
		2
Remaining January 31, 1944:		
Men	24	
Women	3	
		27
Prisoners at Strafford County Jail January 1, 1944:		
Men	3	
Women	0	
		3

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Admitted during year:

Men 9

Women 2

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## Remaining in jail December 31, 1944:

Men 2

Women 1

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# **STATISTICS OF STRAFFORD COUNTY HOME, HOUSE OF CORRECTION AND JAIL**

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Inmates at home January 1, 1944:

Men	51
Women	25
Children	1

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## Admitted during year:

Men	43
Women	23
Children	9

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## Discharged during year:

Men	38
Women	21
Children	10

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## Deaths:

Men	14
Women	5

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## Sent to State Hospital:

Men	1
Women	4

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## At Home December 31, 1944:

Men	42
Women	22
Children	0

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**PRISONERS**  
**ADMITTED TO STRAFFORD COUNTY**  
**JAIL 1944**

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Age	Wks	Days	Name and offense	Committed from
44	0	2	Chaisson, Jerome	Dover
			Contempt of Court	
22			Constance Cornell	Dover
			Forgery and Counterfeiting	
43	0	1	Cyr, Edward M.	Dover
			Held for Superior Court	
29	0	3	Goupil, Paul	Dover
			Larceny	
30	0	3	Kenyon, Frances	Rochester
			For Non-payment	
24	0	4	Kenyon, Kathene	Rochester
			Held for Superior Court	
34	4	2	Larrivee, Lucien	Dover
			Misuse of money	
20	3	5	Perkins, Walter	Dover
			An Assault	
33	10	1	Sargent, Raymond J.	Dover
			Larceny	
21	0	3	Turcotte, Fred	Farmington
			An Assault	
24	0	5	Welsh, Joseph, Jr.	Somersworth
			Bastardy	

## PRISONERS

### ADMITTED TO STRAFFORD COUNTY HOUSE OF CORRECTION 1944

Age	Wks	Days	Name and offense	Committed from
32	0	6	Abbott, Raymond Drunk	Farmington
77	1	6	Auger, Henry Vagabond	Dover
67	4	4	Bassett, George Vagabond	Dover
67	12	4	Bassett, George Drunk	Dover
45	12	5	Beauline, Eugene Drunk	Dover
47	20	4	Berry, Michael Drunk	Dover
38	6	5	Bertrand, Arthur J. Larceny, Superior Court	Dover
55	4	1	Besson, Emery Disorderly Conduct	Dover
39	7	4	Blake, Thomas Drunk	Dover
63	2	2	Blomin, Joseph Drunk	Rochester
45	28	2	Brennan, John Idle Person	Dover
45	6	1	Brennon, John Vagabond	Dover
38	6	2	Burleigh, Charles Drunk	Dover

Age	Wks	Days	Name and offense	Committed from
38	2	1	Burns, Bernard Disorderly Conduct	Dover
39	4	5	Burns, Bernard Disorderly Conduct	Dover
59	4	5	Butler, Albert J. Drunk	Rochester
60	4	1	Butler, Albert J. Drunk	Rochester
20	14	6	Carpenter, Ernest A. Assault	Dover
38	0	6	Carter, Irene Disturbing the Peace	Somersworth
27	0	2	Cassell, Patrick Held for Hearing	Dover
27	3	2	Cassell, Patrick Contempt	Dover
42	0	3	Chaisson, Jerome Contempt	Dover
58	1	3	Chartier, William J. Disturbing the Peace	Rochester
33	0	2	Chretien, Patrick Assault	Rochester
29	1	3	Chretien, Madeline Disturbing the Peace	Rochester
49	5	0	Chapman, Harry Trespassing on B. & M.	Dover
47	14	5	Chick, Charles Drunk	Dover
40	0	6	Connolly, Mark Drunk	Dover
71	28	2	Connors, John Disorderly Conduct	Dover
47	2	6	Conway, John Vagabond	Dover

Age	Wks	Days	Name and offense	Committed from
44	21	2	Crannin, Harry, alias Harold Breaking and Entering Superior Court	Dover
43	1	3	Croft, Archie Drunk	Somersworth
36	4	2	Croft, Albert Drunk	Somersworth
37	7	4	Croft, Albert Drunk	Somersworth
32	1	2	Cousens, Frederick Larceny	Farmington
14	0	2	Cromwell, Paul Held for Probation Officer	Boston
42	2	1	Cyr, Edward Assault	Farmington
23	10	2	Davis, Alfred Drunk	Dover
29	12	5	Davis, Frank Drunk	Dover
75	4	3	Davis, William Idle Person	Raymond
40	4	2	Day, George W. Larceny	Dover
55	4	2	Demers, Louise Drunk	Dover
53	5	0	Dodier, William Drunk	Somersworth
49	0	5	Donovan, Dennis Drunk	Dover
35	4	2	Donovan, Frances Drunk	Somersworth
43	3	3	Dore, Alfred Loitering B. & M. Station	Dover
67	4	1	Dufur, Harry Carrying loaded gun	Rochester

Age	Wks	Days	Name and offense	Committed from
19	2	5	Elwell, Wilbur Drunk	Somersworth
41	0	6	Ekholm, Lloyd Drunk	Dover
45	26	1	Flanagan, Wm. Drunk	Dover
28	3	1	Gilman, Wallace Assault	Farmington
39	0	6	Goodwin, Philip Drunk	Dover
39	2	1	Goodwin, Philip Drunk	Dover
40	4	1	Goodwin, Philip Drunk	Dover
40	1	0	Green, Arthur Drunk	Dover
18	12	2	Green, Johnnie Brawl and Tumult	Rochester
46	26	1	Grimes, John Disorderly Conduct	Dover
44	8	2	Haley, James Larceny	Rochester
78	8	5	Hanlon, John Drunk	Dover
65	11	5	Hanegan, Patrick Drunk	Somersworth
65	21	4	Hanegan, Patrick Drunk	Somersworth
25	17	6	Hartford, Helen Neglect of Minor Children	Rochester
43	4	0	Howard, John Drunk	Rochester
32	8	6	Hoyt, Edgar Drunk	Somersworth



Age	Wks	Days	Name and offense	Committed from
19	8	5	Johnson, Dorothy Adultery	Rochester
56	0	1	Jones, Sam R. Operating Under Influence	Rochester
46	4	1	Kane, William Drunk	Dover
45	5	6	Kane, William Drunk	Dover
58	12	5	Karlo, Gregory Drunk	Dover
61	4	2	Karlo, Gregory Drunk	Rochester
60	1	0	Karlo, Gregory Indecent Conduct	Rochester
65	6	0	Kelliber, David Drunk	Dover
41	12	5	Larriviere, Ludger Disturbing the Peace	Dover
21	12	5	Leach, Ernest Assault	Dover
60	13	1	Loud, William Drunk	Somersworth
60	2	2	Loud, William Drunk	Somersworth
43	1	2	McGrail, Hugh Drunk	Dover
38	26	0	McKone, Frank J. Disturbing the Peace	Dover
65	28	3	McShane, James Idle Person	Dover
28	1	3	Mailhot, Leo P. Assault	Rochester
64	5	6	Maloney, John F. Drunk	Dover

Age	Wks	Days	Name and offense	Committed from
29	8	3	Martineau, Lawrence Drunk	Rochester
29	0	1	Matters, Marie Adultery	Rochester
42	15	5	Meader, John Larceny	Somersworth
31	3	3	Meyer, Ernest Adultery	Rochester
54	1	5	Nadeau, Emile Drunk	Somersworth
38	6	2	O'Hare, John F. Drunk	Dover
44	2	1	Paquette, Eugene Disturbing the Peace	Dover
29	4	2	Parker, Stanley Assault	Dover
59	6	5	Perkins, Walter Non-support	Dover
53	4	1	Peters, Walter Drunk	Dover
53	4	1	Peters, Walter Drunk	Dover
57	4	1	Reddy, James Assault	Farmington
23	8	3	Richardson, James Drunk	Dover
37	4	1	Roger, Leo Drunk	Dover
35	9	4	Rollins, Grover Disturbing the Peace	Farmington
35	3	0	Rollins, Grover Drunk	Farmington
41	4	0	Ruest, Cleophas Non-support	Dover
45	0	6	Robinson, James Drunk	Dover

Age	Wks	Days	Name and offense	Committed from
	2	1	Ryan, Lillian Drunk	Rochester
38	12	5	Sequin, Bernard Non-support	Dover
39	6	6	Sequin, Bernard Non-support	Dover
26	12	5	Souter, Thomas, Jr. Drunk	Farmington
27	14	2	Souter, Thomas Assault	Rochester
68	10	4	St. Peter, Dennis Drunk	Dover
72	10	4	Tatio, Sylvester Vagabond	Dover
43	3	5	Toland, Sidney Non-support	Dover
38	4	1	Ward, Charles Assault	Rochester
45	4	0	Welsh, Bargilla Disturbing the Peace	Dover
30	18	0	Wilson, William Drunk	Dover
27	4	1	Von Malden, William Assault	Dover

## DEATHS

### AT STRAFFORD COUNTY FARM 1944

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Name	Date of Death	Age
Messier, John Homer	January 14	76
Robinson, Fred	February 24	Over 50
Fortier, Odelie	February 27	73
Gagnon, Joseph	April 13	76
Estes, George	April 15	73
Converse, Ellen	April 23	73
Moore, George	April 26	
Tibbetts, Ernest C.	April 26	57
O'Neill, James	May 19	79
St. Lawrence, Nazaire	May 25	69
O'Hare, John	May 28	67
Pichette, Felix	July 15	71
Gray, Minnie	September 4	79
Barker, John	September 19	88
Gagnon, George	September 26	70
Dupere, Clina	October 15	85
Martell, Ned	October 18	75
Nute, Charles	November 13	85
Moody, Mary J.	November 19	94









